

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 98-06

WHEREAS, Ada Chisolm-Perry, a member of the York County Council, has been indicted by the United States District Court, District of South Carolina, Rock Hill Division, on three counts of willfully failing to make an income tax return or returns to the Internal Revenue Service in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7203; and

WHEREAS, willfully failing to file an income tax return or returns is a crime of moral turpitude; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 8 of the South Carolina Constitution provides in pertinent part, that "[a]ny officer of the State or its political subdivisions, except members and officers of the Legislative and Judicial Branches, who has been indicted by a grand jury for a crime involving moral turpitude or who has waived such indictment if permitted by law may be suspended by the Governor until he shall have been acquitted. In case of conviction the office shall be declared vacant and the vacancy filled as may be provided by law;" and

WHEREAS, Ada Chisolm-Perry is an Officer of the State or its political subdivisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Statutes of the State of South Carolina, I hereby order that Ada Chisolm-Perry shall be suspended from the York County Council until such time as the charges of willfully failing to make an income tax return or returns to the Internal Revenue Service in violation of Title 26, United States Code, Section 7203 referenced above have been resolved, at which time further appropriate action will be taken by the undersigned.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 24TH DAY OF MARCH, 1998.

DAVID M. BEASLEY
Governor

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